

OUR WISH LIST – IDEAS OF GIFTS-IN-KIND OFTEN NEEDED

Thank you for your interest in supporting Elizabeth House. Your generosity will help our young moms and babies have everything needed for a healthy start. Financial contributions will also allow us to purchase such items as we need.

- Infant clothing: newborn to 24 months (max)
- Baby shower gifts (receiving blankets; wash cloths; change pads; cool/trendy diaper bags; baby socks, etc)
- Baby toys up to 2 years maximum (preferably that don't use batteries)
- Baby bottles (must be new and BPA-free or glass)
- Sippy cups (must be new and BPA-free)
- Baby bath toys/items
- Baby books (that make noises and have stimulating pictures)
- Rattles and chewable toys – colourful, textured, various noises
- Diapers for newborn to size 3
- Hooded towels for babies
- Non-toxic and natural baby care products (shampoo, creams, lotions, bubble bath, soaps)
- Non-toxic and natural toiletries and skin care products for moms (shampoo, conditioner, hand cream, body lotion, toothpaste, dental floss, crystal for deodorant, etc).
- Feminine care products
- Bath/spa items (foot scrubbers, emery boards, nail clippers, bubble bath, facial masks, etc. – natural and eco-friendly please)
- Hot water bottles, warming pads, cold packs
- Different types of herbal teas (and tea diffusers for loose teas)
- Healthy, non-perishable food items
- Batteries of various sizes
- Band-aids of various sizes
- Books of transit tickets
- Postage stamps, blank greeting cards
- Movie passes
- Gift cards for grocery stores (Safeway, Superstore, Community Natural Foods, Planet Organic); pharmacies; baby supplies stores; maternity stores; hardware & dept. stores (Sears, Bay, Winners, HomeSense, IKEA, Canadian Tire, Rona, Home Depot); stationery stores (Staples).
- Recreation activities/sports games and arts/entertainment tickets
- Gift cards for Saje to buy wellness items for the house
- Gift cards for Rocky Mountain Soap Company to buy personal items for the house and residents
- Mittens/gloves, toques/hats and scarves
- Puzzles with colourful and beautiful pictures
- Board games
- Adolescent colouring books with colouring tools (twist-up crayons)
- Items suitable for birthday gifts for adolescent girls (14-24 yrs)
- Items suitable for moving-out kits (rechargeable flashlights, tool kits, first aid kits)

FOR VARIOUS REASONS, WE DO NOT ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING:

(call "2-1-1" (Information & Referral service) to inquire if another program may be able to use what you have)

- Infant formula or baby foods
- Bumper pads and crib quilts/blankets
- Knitted or crocheted blankets (knitted caps and mitts are okay)
- Stuffed animals/toys
- Used infant or toddler car seats; used strollers or used cribs
- Used playpens more than 2 years old
- Used bottles or sippy cups
- Used breast pumps
- Broken or dirty items; opened or half-used items
- Used underwear or swimwear; used bedding or used towels
- Baby powder (unless natural and unscented) or petroleum jelly
- Deodorant/antiperspirant containing aluminum and toxic chemicals
- Mouthwash (unless does not contain alcohol)
- Cleaning/laundry supplies or dryer sheets (unless non-toxic and eco-friendly/reusable)
- Candles`
- Media (CD's, DVD's, etc) or used electronics
- Furniture (unless specifically requested)